

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 and 10-17 are pending. Claims 9 and 18-41 are withdrawn.

Claims 1-8 and 10-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) based upon Chee et al. Applicants respectfully assert that Chee does not qualify as prior art, as indicated by the invention disclosure, laboratory report and notes attached hereto. The affidavits under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 will be submitted in a Supplemental Response. Withdrawal of the instant rejections and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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